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SUBJ: HARIMAN SIREGAR TRIAL: NINTH AND TENTH SESSIONS

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BEGIN SUMMARY: PROSECUTORS APPEAR TO HAVE EXTRACTED
LITTLE, IF ANY, INCRIMINATING TESTIMONY FROM DEFENDENT
SIREGAR OR FIRST WITNESS, THEO SAMBUAGA, AS EXAMINATION
CONCERNING SUBVERSION AND OVERTHROW OF GOVERNMENT CHARGES
CONTINUES. FOLLOWING HIGHLIGHTS FROM NINTH AND TENTH
SESSIONS BASED ON PRESS REPORTS AUGUST 25-27. END SUMMARY

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1. DURING AUGUST 24 SESSION SIREGAR SAID STATEMENTS HE
MADE AT STUDENT "NIGHT OF CONCERN MEETING" CALLING FOR
ACTION BY PEDICAB DRIVERS W WAS MERELY RHETORIC AND NOT
ATTACK ON GOVERNMENT. HE ALSO SAID U I STUDENT LEADERS
HAD REJECTED PROPOSAL BY REPRESENTATIVE OF HIGH SCHOOL
KAPI YOUTH ORGANIZATION JUSUF A R (ALSO BELIEVED TO BE
IN JAIL) THAT STUDENTS FORM JOINT "ACTION COMMAND" AND
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ORGANIZE 1966 STYLE "SHOW OF FORCE." THEY ALSO REJECTED

ANOTHER PROPOSAL FOR SEIZURE OF JAKARTA FAIR ON BEHALF OF SIDEWALK VENDORS AND IGNORED AGGRESSIVE PROPOSALS IN LETTER FROM STUDENTS IN JOGJAKARTA, WHICH THEY SUSPECTED WAS WORK OF "PROVOCATUERS," SIREGAR SAID

2. SIREGAR AGAIN INSISTED THAT U I STUDENTS WERE NOT INVOLVED IN JANUARY 15 VIOLENCE AND THAT STUDENT COUNCIL HAD ORDERED STUDENTS TO AVOID PARTICIPATING TO PREVENT DETERIORATION OF SITUATION AND "EXPLOITATION" OF STUDENTS BY OUTSIDERS.

3. WITNESS THEO SAMBUAGAN WHO WAS DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF U I STUDENT COUNCIL UNDER SIREGAR, DEFENDED COUNCIL PETITIONS INCLUDING OCTOBER 24 "YOUTH PLEDGE" PETITION, CRITICIZING GOVERNMENT DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY AND OTHER NATIONAL PROBLEMS. HE SAID STUDENTS WERE EXPRESSING VOICE OF PEOPLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH PRESIDENT SUHARTO'S WISH FOR "TWO WAY COMMUNICATION."

4. WHEN SIREGAR WAS ASKED ABOUT POSTERS ATTACKING ASPRI'S AND KOPKAMTIB INTRODUCED AS GOVERNMENT EXHIBITS, SIREGAR SAID NEITHER OF THESE INSTITUTIONS WAS AUTHORIZED IN CONSTITUTION.

5. IN MONDAY, AUGUST 26 SESSION SAMBUAGA DENIED SIREGAR HAD MADE STATEMENTS HUMILIATING PRESIDENT SUHARTO AND FORMER ASPRI SUDJONO HUMARDANI. HE ALSO DENIED SIREGAR CALLED FOR SUHARTO'S REPLACEMENT BY GENERAL SUMITRO OR OTHERWISE EXPRESSED DISLOYALTY TOWARD THE NATIONAL LEADERSHIP, AND DENIED THAT HE HAD SUGGESTED ASSASSINATION OF SUHARTO. SAMBUAGA TESTIFIED, HOWEVER, THAT SIREGAR HAD "JOKINGLY" MADE STATEMENTS THAT JAKARTA GOVERNOR ALI SADIKIN COULD ALSO BECOME PRESIDENT OF THE COUNTRY, BUT THAT THIS WAS IN JEST, AND THAT U I COUNCIL HAD SPECIFI-

CALLY AGREED THEY HAD NO INTENTION OF MAKING AN ISSUE OF PRESIDENT'S POSITION. IN SUBSEQUENT TESTIMONY, SIREGAR DENIED THAT HE HAD EVEN JOKINGLY SUGGESTED ALI SADIKIN COULD BECOME PRESIDENT. END UNCLASSIFIED

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6. COMMENT: TESTIMONY THUS FAR HAS NOT SUPPORTED CHARGES, UNLESS GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO RELY ON SECTIONS OF 1963 ANTI-SUBVERSION LAW NUMBER 10 WHICH CAN BE INTERPRETED TO MAKE VIRTUALLY ANY ANTI-GOVERNMENT CRITICISM A CRIME.
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